

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

PATENT NO. : 7,163,552 B2
APPLICATION NO. : 09/978243
DATED : January 16, 2007
INVENTOR(S) : Juan-Carlos Diaz

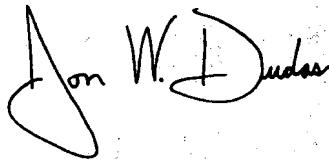
Page 1 of 1

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 11, line 44, "to substantially interfere with the linking of said stent" should be changed to -- to substantially interfere with the kinking of said stent --

Signed and Sealed this

Twenty-third Day of October, 2007

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized, with a large, looped initial "J" and a distinct "D".

JON W. DUDAS
Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office